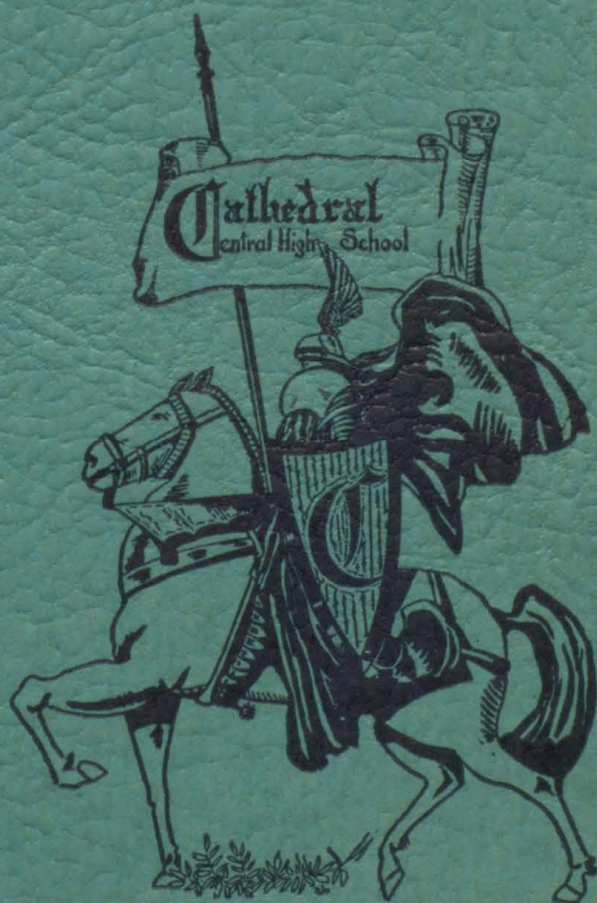
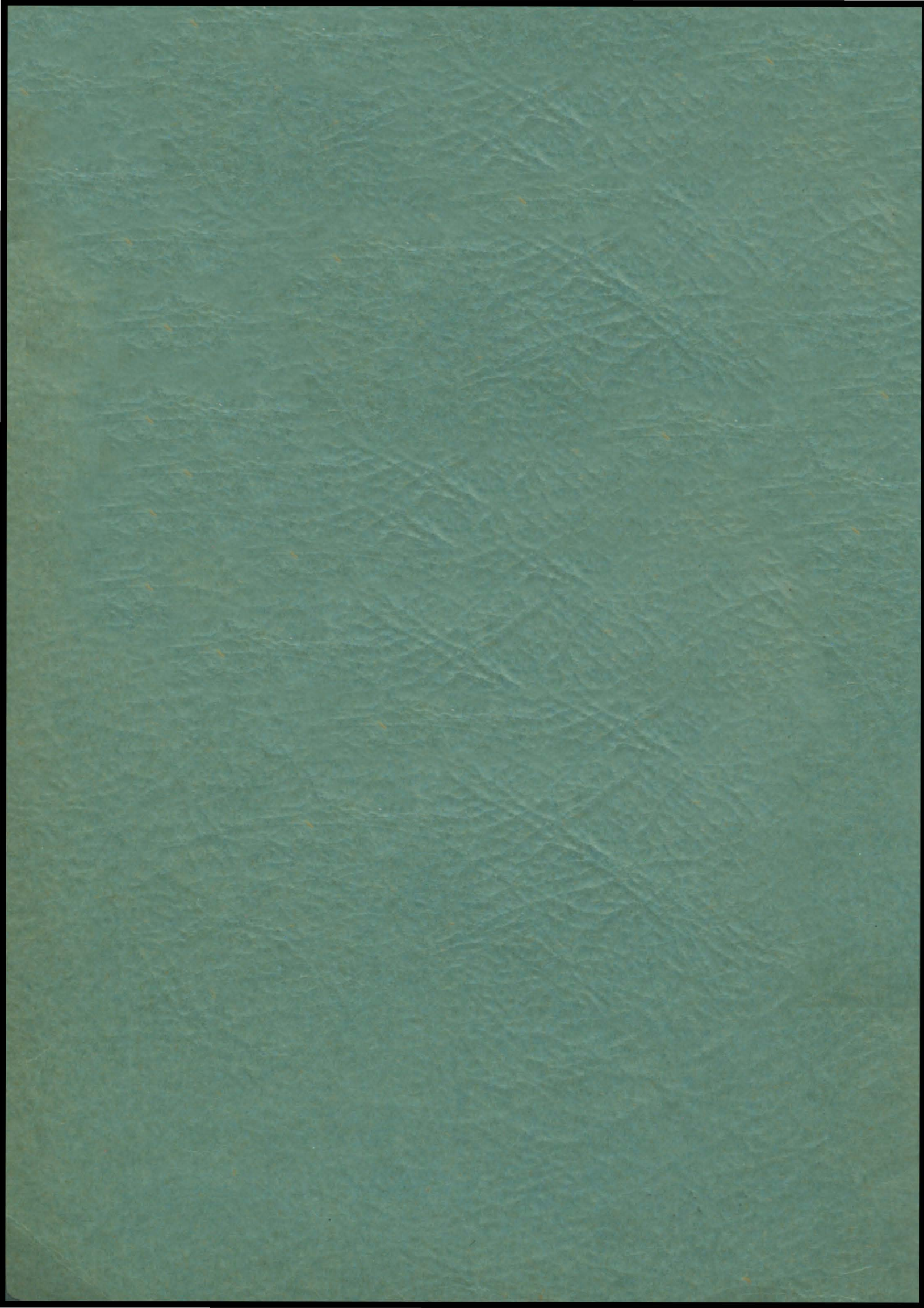


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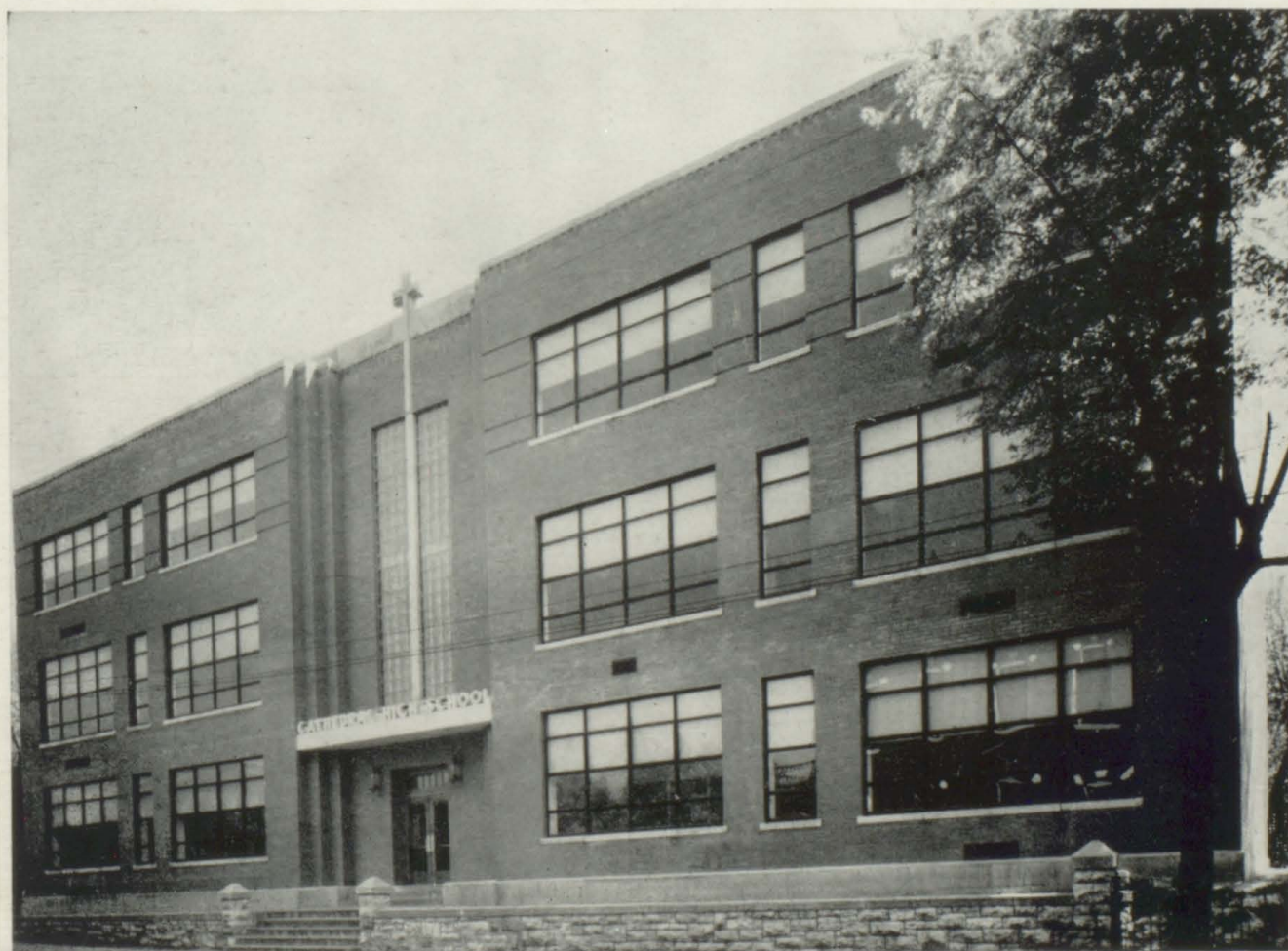




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CATHEDRAL HIGH SCHOOL
BELLEVILLE, ILLINOIS

Foreword

We, the Staff of 1944, have the honor of presenting to you, this, the Thirteenth Volume of the Cathedral Annual, "The Crusader".

The designation, "Crusader" has been a term carried through four years of school. This title has been given the student publication and all our athletic teams. It has served as a constant guide and model in our efforts to become sturdy young men of good Christian character, devoting our time to the betterment of our life, that we might be citizens of whom our country may be proud.



Reading left to right—Walter Braun, Jack Flach, Alfred Stingl, Herman Pacini, Roy Wiesenborn, Ed Hotz, Richard Smith, Edwin Schlosser, Clarence Wiesen, and Leo Germain. (Absent when picture was taken: William Wuller and Melvin Roth.)

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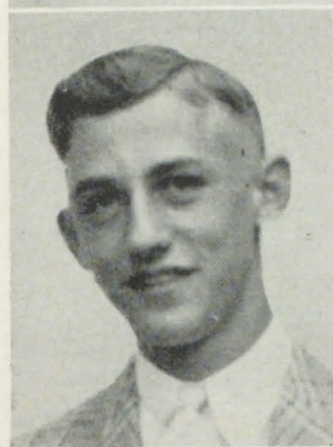
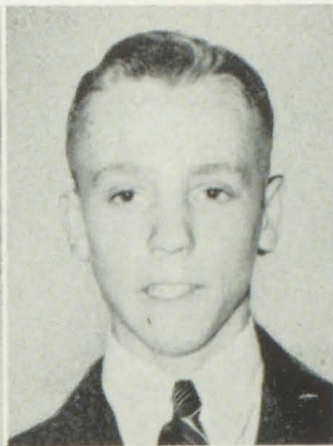
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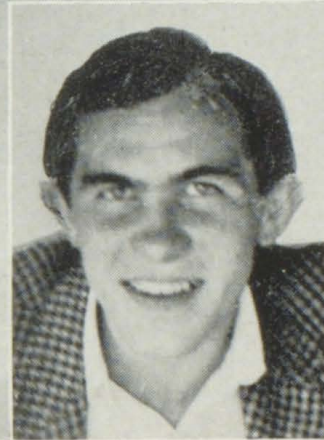
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THOMAS BIGHAUS

ANTHONY ZAGARSKI



RUE McNAY

DEDICATION

As the time comes for the class of "44" to receive their diplomas we feel the absence of three members, an absence more acute with the gathering of old memories. The pictures of Rue McNay, Tony Zagarski and Tom Bighaus do not appear among those of the graduates, yet they have a right to be there.

To those three, who through Providence are unable to take their place with us, we dedicate this, our Senior Annual.

Tom and Tony met their deaths swimming on a class picnic, one year later Rue too, was drowned. Tom and Tony were our religious leaders as well as being leaders in their respective studies. Rue was outstanding both in the classroom and the athletic field.

They went as men should go, not recklessly, but engaged in the development of their growing bodies. They were athletes with us, they were scholars with us, they were growing to be men with us. It is only fitting therefore, that we remember them with this small dedication. May our Blessed Mother remember them and seek their eternal Salvation, as they died in the beautiful month dedicated to her, the month of May.

HIS EXCELLENCY...



MOST REVEREND HENRY ALTHOFF, Bishop of Belleville

The Cathedral High School graduates of 1944 salute His Excellency, Most Reverend Bishop Henry Althoff, our spiritual leader, to whom the senior class owes much.

From his hand have come many and various benefits. He has provided facilities to aid our spiritual as well as temporal education.

His interest in the welfare of the Cathedral High School students has been ever felt by all concerned. Together with our president, Monsignor Joseph Mueller, and the Brothers of Mary, we, the '44 seniors, have received the utmost in Catholic High School education.

He has constantly endeavored to promote all activities beneficial to the students, and has provided for any new addition to the school which would help the students in any way.

So once again we salute His Excellency and sincerely thank him from the bottom of our hearts; though we cannot ably express our sentiments in words, we feel them in our hearts, and wish Bishop Althoff many more years of his able cooperation with his students toward their Catholic education.



RIGHT REVEREND MONSIGNOR JOSEPH M. MUELLER

After our first year at Cathedral High under the direction of Brother Wilfrid Moran, Brother Urban Fleege, S.M., Ph. D., returned to Cathedral High to assume duties as principal.

Strict discipline prevailed at Cathedral under Brother Urban's tenure, in his effort to train Cathedral High students to the utmost in every trait, to build future American citizens of sound mind and character.

Then, in December, 1941, came the grim menace of war, so Brother Urban immediately set about to install courses and other facilities which would be as beneficial as possible to the future service men of Cathedral — those valiant men who were to safeguard the future of their country.

And now, in one of the major steps of life, graduating from high school into horizons unlimited and unknown, we, the seniors of '44, realize that Brother Urban Fleege, was eventually to fulfill his mission — that of making Cathedral High an educational organization governed by *men*, for *men*!

We now leave the halls of learning at Cathedral High, stepping out into a new life — into horizons unknown and unlimited. The Cathedral graduates, 1944, are soon to participate in the enormous task of liberating and reconstructing the war-torn world.

It has ever been the aim of the men behind Cathedral to build men of sound mind, body, and character.

Our President, Monsignor Joseph M. Mueller, has left no doubt in our minds of his success in this category. From our first day at Cathedral, he has striven to provide every facility toward the betterment of our education.

So we, the graduates of 1944 extend to our President, Monsignor Mueller, our most sincere thanks for the utmost in cooperation toward our ultimate end — fighting Crusaders — working Americans — fighting and working to make the world a better place in which to live, and preparing for our one goal—our eventual union with our Maker.



BROTHER URBAN FLEEGE, S.M., PH. D.

FACULTY

FATHER F. RENSCHEN

Religion: Freshman A,
Freshman B



BROTHER MICHAEL BRANGAN,
S.M.

Religion III, World History,
Journalism, English

FATHER C. SCHINDLER

Religion: Sophomore A,
Sophomore B



BROTHER ALPHONSE SCHERER,
S.M.

Religion IV, Algebra II,
Trigonometry, Physics,
Aeronautics

BROTHER ALBERT STEIN, S.M.

Religion II, Civics,
English IV



BROTHER FRANCIS
HEIDEMANN, S.M.

Typewriting, German II,
Bookkeeping, Shorthand,
English I

PROF. BERNARD L. MILLER,
K.S.G.

Basic Mathematics, Band,
Music Appreciation



MR. OTTO RUBACH

Mechanical Drawing

FATHER J. MCCORMICK

Religion: Juniors and
Seniors



BROTHER J. WILLIS
LANGLAIS, S.M.

Religion I, Economics,
English III,
Global Geography,
U. S. History

BROTHER NORBERT KRAMER,
S.M.

Religion I, Biology,
English II, Plane Geometry,
Chemistry



BROTHER WILLIAM WILDER,
S.M.

Religion II, Latin I, Latin II,
Sociology, Spanish I

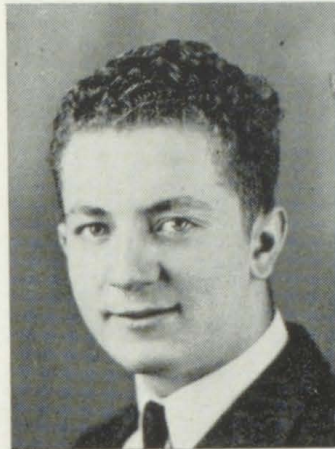
SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS

LEO J. GERMAIN—Hantz

St. Luke's Parish

President

Football—1-2-3-4
Baseball—1
Boxing—1
Intramurals—1-2-3-4
Sodality—2-3
Dramatics—2-3-4
Spirit Banner Representative 4
Annual Staff—4
Basketball—2



HERMAN J. PACINI—Herm

St. Luke's Parish

Football—1-2-3-4
Boxing—1
Intramurals—1-2-3-4
Sodality—4
Central Committee—4
Dramatics—2-3
Class Officer—4
Annual Staff—4

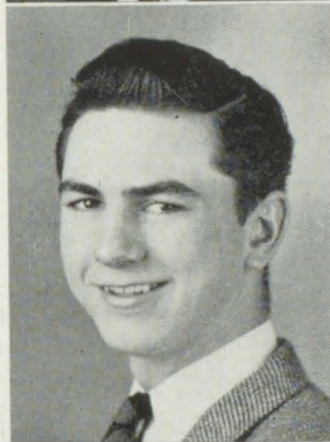


EDWARD P. BAUER—Irish

Cathedral Parish

Secretary

Class Officer—4
Server—1
Perfect Attendance—1-2



EDWARD C. HOTZ—Ed

Blessed Sacrament Parish

Treasurer

Central Catholic—1-2-3
Football—4
Debate—4
Oratory—4
Sodality Prefect—4
Class Officer—4
Intramurals—4
Annual Staff—4
Basketball—4
Honor Roll—4

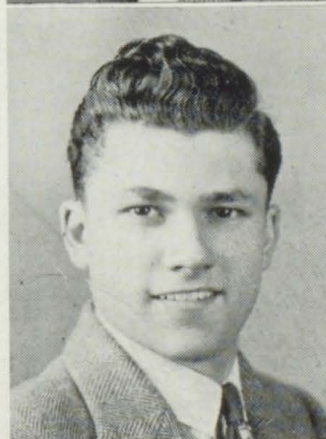


BERNARD J. HOFFMAN—Barney

Cathedral Parish

Publicity Manager

Baseball—1-2-4. Captain—4
Basketball—1-2
Sodality—1-2
Central Committee—4
Intramurals—1-2-3-4



WALTER C. BRAUN—Bus

St. Luke's Parish

Publicity Manager

Football—1-3-4
Basketball—2-3
Baseball—1-2-4
Boxing—1
Server—1-2-3-4
Intramurals—3
Class Officer—2-3-4
Annual Staff—4
Dramatics—2-3



SENIORS OF 1944

JOHN BATTAGLIA
—Johnny

St. Luke's Parish

Football—3
Sodality Prefect—4
Honor Roll—1
Intramurals—3
Oratory—3
Shop Training—3
Dramatics—2-3
Class Prefect—3-4



JULIAN O. BECHERER
—Oscar

St. Luke's Parish

Football—3-4
Baseball—1-4
Boxing—1
Intramurals—1-2-3
Server—1-2-3-4
Glee Club—3
Ping Pong—2-3-4
Dramatics—2-3-4



EDWARD L. BERKEL
—Ed

Cathedral Parish

Cheerleader—1-2-3-4
Server—1-2
Elocution—1
Intramurals—2-3
Class Officers—3
Dramatics—2-3-4



ARTHUR J. BIEHL—Art

Cathedral Parish

Band—1-2-3-4
Server—1
Student Manager—2-3
Intramurals—1-2-3
Ping Pong—3
Dramatics—2
Glee Club—1-2



JOHN P. BUCHHOLZ
—Booky

Cathedral Parish

Honor Roll—1-2
Band—1-2-3-4
Intramurals—1-2-3
Glee Club—1-3



JOHN J. BUSSON
John Bull

Blessed Sacrament Parish

Sodality—2-4
Central Committee—4
Prefect—4
Parish Representative—4
Class Officer—2
Cheer Leader—1
Glee Club—2
Server—1-2-3-4



FRANK J. CACCIATORRE—Cash

Cathedral Parish

B.T.H.S.—1-2
Shop Training—3
Intramurals—3



JOHN H. CONRATH
—Johnny

Cathedral Parish

Football—1-2-3-4
Basketball—1-2-3-4. Captain
—4
Boxing—1-2. Champ—2
Baseball—2-4
Ping Pong—3-4
Central Committee—4
Class Officer—1-3
Glee Club—3
Intramurals—1-3
Dramatics—2-3
Server—1

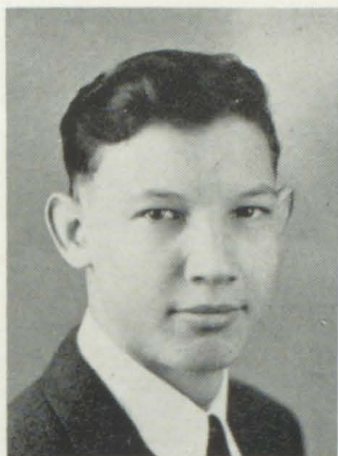


SENIORS OF 1944

ANTHONY J. CORDIE
—Tony

Cathedral Parish

Central Committee—4
Parish Representative—4
Intramurals—1-2-3



VICTOR J. EDELMANN
—Vic

St. Mary's Parish

Ping Pong—2-3-4
Intramurals—1-2
Server—1-2-3-4
Bulletin Board—3



JOHN J. FELLNER—Al

St. Luke's Parish

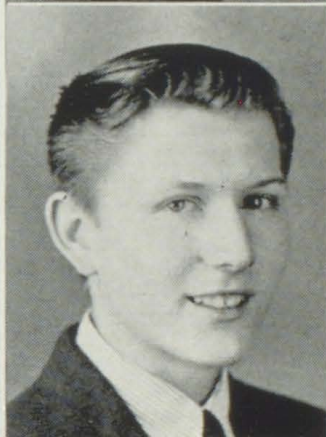
Sodality—1
Intramurals—3
Central Committee—4
Paper Staff—3-4
Debating—2-3-4
Server—1-2-3-4



VINCENT FELLNER
—Vin

Cathedral Parish

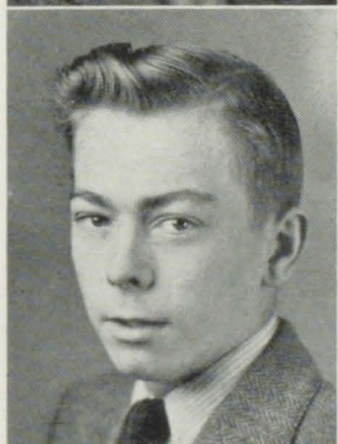
Intramurals—1-2
Debate—1



JOHN A. FLACH—"Jack"

St. Mary's Parish

Cheerleader—1
Debating—1-2
Student Manager—3
Paper Staff—3-4
Annual Staff—4
Parish Representative—4
Intramurals—2-3
Class Sodality—1
Basketball—1



CHARLES L. FOHR
—Chuck

Cathedral Parish

Intramurals—1-2
Perfect Attendance
—1-2-3-4



**WILLIAM W.
FUHRMAN—Bill**

Cathedral Parish

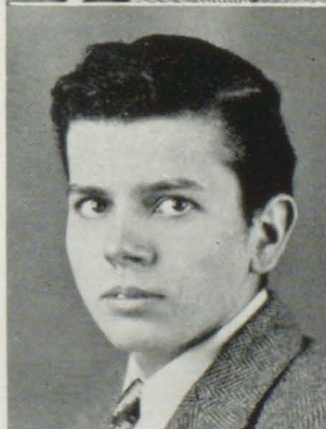
Intramurals—2-3
Elocution—1
Honor Roll—1
Class Officer—2



HARRY C. FUNK—Atlas

Cathedral Parish

Server—1-2
Band—1-2-3-4
Student Manager—4

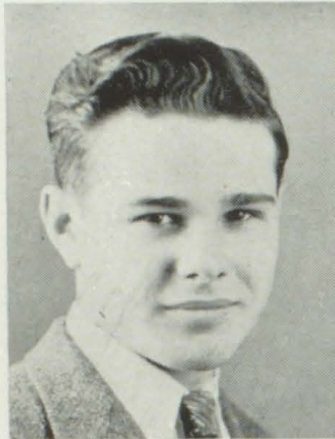


SENIORS OF 1944

HERBERT W. HELFRICH—Herb

St. John's

Boxing—1-2. Champ—2
Intramurals—1-2-3
Football—3
Ping Pong—3-4



JAMES D. HEROLD—Jim

Cathedral Parish

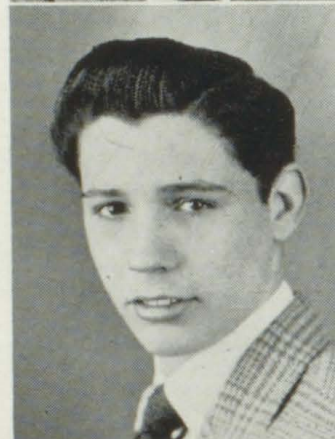
Honor Roll—2
Dramatics—2



ROBERT V. JUEN—Bob

Cathedral Parish

Intramurals—3
Ping Pong—2
Elocution—1
Server—1-2
Manager—3
Dramatics—4
Social Activity
Committee—4



L. JOSEPH KAISER—Joe

St. Mary's Parish

Basketball—1
Server—1-2-3-4
Dramatics—3
Intramurals—2-3
Elocution—1



FRANCIS H. KARFS—Frank

St. Henry's Parish

Parish Representative
—2-3-4
Football—1
Sodality—2-3-4
Baseball—2-4
Intramurals—1-2-3
Elocution—1
Student Manager—3
Basketball—1-2
Military Officer—3
Ping Pong—1-2-3-4
Server—1-2



VINCENT R. LANTER—Vin

St. Luke's Parish

Football—1-2-3-4
Intramurals—1-2-3
Boxing—1-2. Champ—1
Ping Pong—3



MELVIN A. LINDAUER—Lindy

St. Mary's Parish

B.T.H.S.—*1-2
Band—3-4
Football—4



JOHN W. LINDER—Johnny

St. James' Parish—Millstadt

Oratory—3
Parish Representative—4
Debate—4
Honor Roll—1



SENIORS OF 1944

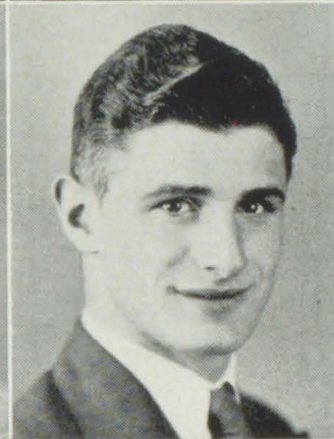
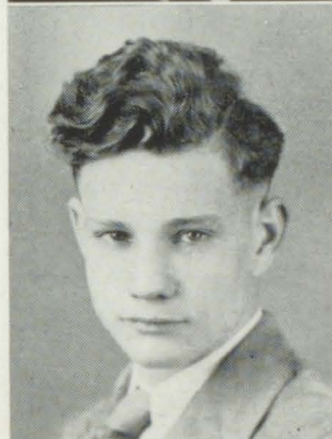
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 St. James' Parish—Millstadt
 B.T.H.S.—1-2-3
 Intramurals—4. Honor
 Roll—4
 Baseball—4
 Boxing—4. Debating—4
 Football—4



WAYNE F. MEISTER
 —Frank

Cathedral Parish
 Intramurals—1-2-3-4
 Class Officer—1-2-3

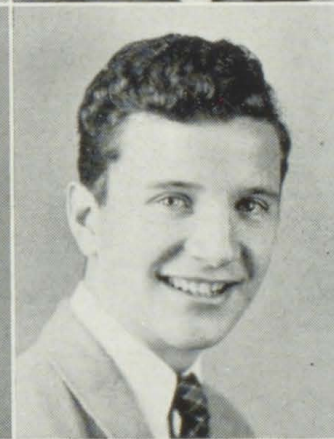
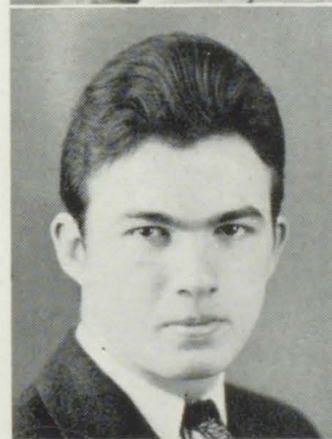
RAYMOND J. NEVENNER—Ray
Cathedral Parish
 Intramurals—3
 Camera Club—3-4. Officer
 —4



EVERETT R. PFEIFFER
 —Bud

St. Clair's Parish—O'Fallon
 Football—2-3
 Intramurals—2-3
 Boxing—2
 Ping Pong—3

JOSEPH S. REIS—Speed
Cathedral Parish
 Boxing—1-2. Champ—1
 Band—1-2
 Ping Pong—2
 Server—1-2

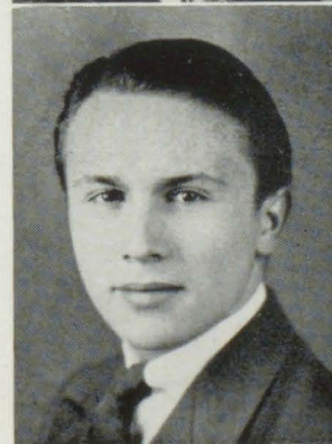


JOSEPH A. RENNER
 —Little Joe

Cathedral Parish
 Basketball—1-2
 Intramurals—1-2-3-4
 Band—1-2
 Server—1-2

CORNELIUS J. ROTH
 —Cornie

St. Luke's Parish
 Football 1-2-3-4
 Baseball—1-2
 Class Officer—2-3-4
 Central Committee—4
 Intramurals—1-2-3-4
 Ping Pong—2-3



MELVIN J. ROTH
 —Willie

Cathedral Parish
 Football—1-2-3-4
 Co-Captain—4
 Basketball—2-3-4
 Intramurals—1-2-3
 Student Manager—1
 Boxing—1-2. Champ—1
 Baseball—2
 Sodality—4
 Central Committee—4
 Class Officer—1-3
 Dramatics—2-3
 Annual Staff—4

SENIORS OF 1944

EDWIN C. SCHLOSSER
—Shorty

Cathedral Parish

Class Officer—2
Intramurals—1-2-3-4
Football—2-3-4
Annual Staff—4
Elocution—1
Ping Pong—4
Honor Roll—1-2



LAWRENCE J. SCHMIDT—Sonny

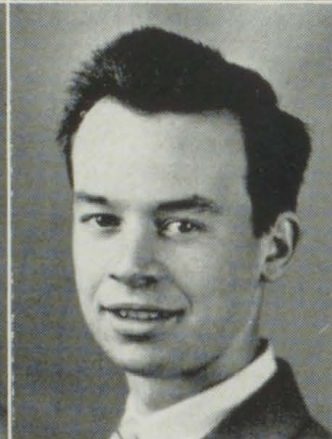
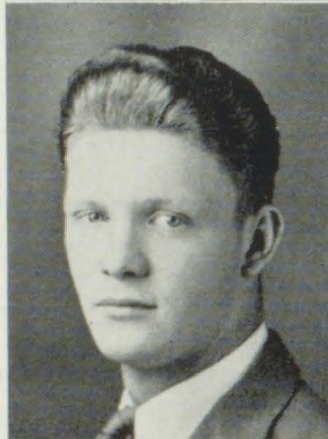
St. Luke's Parish

Shop Training—3
Baseball—1
Basketball—1
Intramurals—2-3

RICHARD A. SMITH
—Rich

Cathedral Parish

Football—1-2-3
Intramurals—1-2
Boxing—1. Champ—1
Server—1-2
Paper Staff—3-4
Co-editor—4
Editor of Annual—4
Central Committee—4
Sodality—3-4



ROBERT C. STAUDER
—Rob

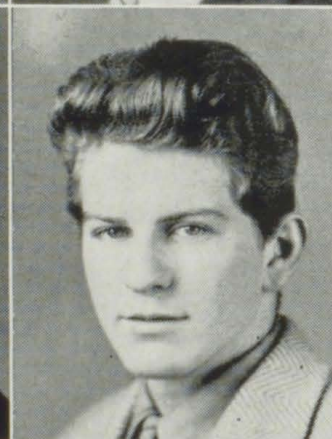
St. Luke's Parish

Boxing—1
Parish Representative—4

ALFRED L. STINGL—Al

St. John's

Baseball—2
Intramurals—1-2-3
Sodality—4
Central Committee—4
Class Officer—3
Annual Staff—4
Ping Pong—3
Camera Club—3-4
Camera Club President—4



CLARENCE A. WIESEN
—Terry

Cathedral Parish

Camera Club—3
Server—1
Annual Staff—4

ROY W. WIESENBORN
—Butch

Cathedral Parish

Football—1-2-3-4
Baseball—2
Boxing—1
Basketball Manager—1-2-3
Baseball Manager—1
Boxing Manager—2
Intramurals—3
Annual Staff—4
Class Officer—3
Spring Football—3



WILLIAM N. WULLER
—Tim

Cathedral Parish

Intramurals—1-2-3
Server—1-2-3-4
Paper Staff—3-4
Annual Staff—4
Boxing—1
Cheer Leader—1-2
Ping Pong—2-3-4

SENIOR WILL

- I, ED HOTZ, bequeath to Bobby Kotva my football letter, with all the technique I used to get it.
- I, HARRY FUNK, will my "Charles Atlas" book to Harold Gordon.
- I, CHARLES FOHR, bestow my punctuality upon Pooch Grandcolas.
- I, ROBERT JUEN, leave my comic books to Jim Braun to increase his vocabulary.
- I, ROY WIESENBORN, bequeath to Mike Luby my record for absenteeism.
- I, HERMAN PACINI, will my outstanding art of eating candy to Al Bauer.
- I, JACK FLACH, leave my gift of gab to Harold Lorenz, who I know will use it.
- I, HERBERT HELFRICH, bestow upon Dick Sax my job as chief janitor.
- I, RAYMOND NEVENNER, give my chair in the eighth period to Larry Louth.
- I, JOSEPH RENNER, will to my brother, Tom, the technique of getting out of school at 2:30 for "funerals".
- I, LEO GERMAIN, give my football equipment to "Quinten" Huber.
- I, JOHN BUCHHOLZ, will my flirting ability to Orville Sauerwein.
- I, RICHARD SMITH, bestow upon Estil Throckmorton my trusty briar.
- I, MELVIN LINDAUER, will my ability to thumb a ride to Al Stenger.
- I, WALTER BRAUN, leave my art of loosing conduct cards to Clarence Taylor.
- I, ARTHUR BIEHL, give all my "stove" gas to Don Taphorn for his Cadillac.
- I, JOSEPH SEBESTIAN VALENTINE REIS, leave everything to R. K.
- I, EVERETT PFEIFFER, give my plow to Joe Heumann for the duration.
- I, ROBERT STAUDER, bestow upon John "B." Regnier my great physique.
- I, JULIAN BECHERER, will my ability, with all its secreted hints and a mastered technique to drive a Model "T", to Raymond Schulte.
- I, ANTHONY "CHAMP" CORDIE, leave to "Mokey" Rice a great and sound mind.
- I, JACK FELLNER, have nothing left to give away.
- I, VINCENT LANTER, bequeath to Jack Koch the perfected technique of getting a drag at will.
- I, JAMES HEROLD, will just drop my books and run as far as I can.
- I, JOHN CONRATH, will my art of getting in and out of trouble to "Watso" Reime.

CENTRAL COMMITTEE



Reading from left to right: (Seated) H. Pacini, E. Hotz, B. Hoffman, J. Conrath; (standing) A. Cordie, F. Karfs, R. Stauder.

The Central Committee of the Sodality of the Immaculate Conception is composed of the Senior sodality officers, of parish representatives and class prefects. These officers are responsible for the planning and supervision of the monthly Sodality meetings, and other spiritual activities of the school. The Sodality, which has as its motto "Through Mary to Jesus", was started in the year 1932, and is directly affiliated with the Sodality at Rome.

This year's Sodality witnessed considerable changes in the line-up of officers. For the first semester, John Battaglia was Prefect; Cornelius Roth, Marian Chairman; John Fellner, Eucharistic Chairman; Richard Smith, Catholic Action Chairman; Alfred Stingl, Mission Chairman, and Bernard Hoffman, Secretary. The various class Prefects were: Russell Wenzel, Juniors; Frank Donovan, Sophomore "A"; William Bauer, Sophomore "B"; Robert Kotva, Freshman "A"; and Vernon Pacini, Freshman "B". These officers always encouraged discussion from the floor, for they wanted the student body to feel that they had something to say in regards to what was done in the Sodality. Heated debates occurred on several occasions, which added considerable interest to the meetings.

At the end of the first semester new officers were elected. John Busson garnered the position of Prefect; Bernard Hoffman was chosen Marian Chairman; Herman Pacini, Eucharistic Chairman; Anthony Cordie, Catholic Action Chairman; John Conrath, Mission Chairman; and Melvin Roth, Secretary. The new arrangement proved quite satisfactory, holding its first meeting on Thursday, February 10. The rest of the classes also elected new class officers. The new class Prefects were: Lorrain Braun, Sophomore "A"; John Biekert, Sophomore "B"; Kenneth Faust, Freshman "B"; and Robert Fritz, Freshman "A". Russell Wenzell remained as Junior Prefect.

This smoothly functioning machine was temporarily slowed down when Prefect John Busson resigned, due to curricular difficulties. The Senior class then held an election, at which time Edward Hotz was appointed to succeed Busson. Under Hotz's capable direction the Sodality finished out the year.

Among this year's outstanding events was the reception of the new candidates into the Sodality on Dec. 9, with Monsignor Joseph Mueller officiating. Other activities included the three-day Triduum of Masses and Communions, on December 6, 7 and 8, for the Pope. This was the Sodality's Christmas present to His Excellency. The Living Rosary was again put into operation during the month of October. Everything possible was done by the Sodality to encourage the frequent reception of Holy Communion by the students during the course of the year.

BAND



First Row: D. Arndt, W. Potts, H. Funk, Q. Huber, L. Wachtel, L. Lorenz.
 Second Row: A. Biehl, C. Andres, D. Nesbit, J. Huber, R. Dengler, R. Reis.
 Third Row: D. Schaefer, M. Lindauer, R. Rice, J. Rowan, J. Biekert, A. Belleville.
 Fourth Row: G. Wyatt, J. Glauber, P. Griffin, W. Nesbit, T. Kinsella, J. Duncan, C. Fournie, J. Buchholz, and Prof. B. Miller.

The Cathedral High School Band, under the capable direction of Bernard L. Miller, K.S.G., who has led the band for over ten years, again worked diligently, and as a result produced two fine concerts; the first being presented on January 23, and the second on Mothers' Day.

The concert in honor of Father Chaminade presented a selection of overtures and marches. The highlight of the May 10 concert was the playing of "Shubert's Unfinished Symphony in E Minor" by Franz Schubert, famous Austrian composer.

Both concerts included a well selected program, and both were received by an appreciative audience.

Due to graduation, the band will lose 4 of its most capable members, including Mel Lindauer, first Clarinet; John Buchholz, first Trombone; Arthur Biehl, first horn; and Harry Funk, bass drummer.

The band performed on numerous occasions, rendering service at assemblies, parades, picnics, and also at Le Clerc College on several programs.

Cathedral's band, although not entering into competition with other high school bands, is rated as one of the best high school bands in southern Illinois. The band hopes to continue its fine work next year by making use of undeveloped talent among the graduates of the numerous Catholic grade schools of Belleville.

The members of the band are: Solo trumpet, Pat Griffin; first trumpet, George Wyatt; second trumpet, Jim Huber and John Biekert; third trumpet, Allan Belleville; first clarinet, Mel Lindauer and Don Schaefer; second clarinet, Richard Rice and Jim Rowan, third clarinet, Robert Dengler and Richard Rice; first trombone, Joe Glauber and John Buchholz; second trombone, Lawrence Fournie; third trombone, Jim Duncan and Tom Kinsella; baritone, Don Nesbit; sousaphone, Walter Nesbit; bass drums, Harry Funk and Quinten Huber; snare drums, L. Wachtel and William Potts; first horn, Art Biehl; second horn, Cletus Andres; and oboe, Harry Lorenz; drum major, Harry Lorenz.

DEBATE TEAM



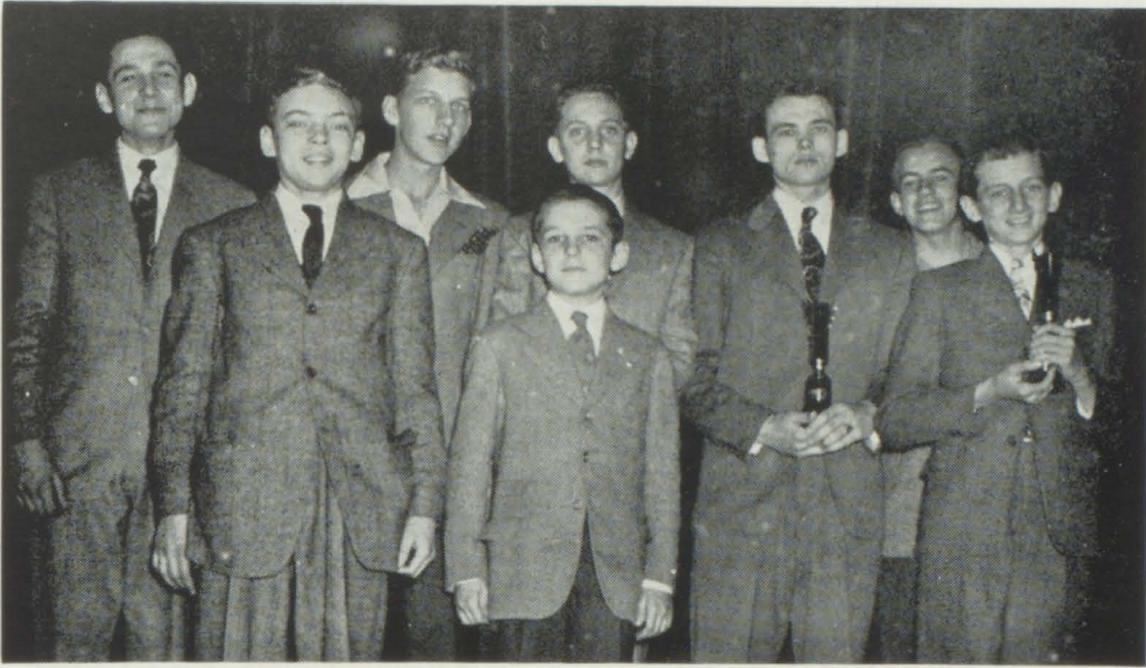
Standing: J. Theis, T. Kinsella, R. Kosar, T. Michaelis, L. Voss. Seated: J. Linder, E. Hotz, L. Mayer, J. Fellner.

The debaters of Cathedral High ran into uncomfortably difficult competition in the course of the season's meets. The winter slate of the team led them to three St. Louis schools for argumentation with students from all of the St. Louis area. The site of the tournaments were St. Elizabeth Boarders and Day School for Girls, South Side Catholic High School and St. Louis University High School. In the course of these sessions Cathedral debated against McBride, South Side, St. Elizabeth's, Central Catholic, and St. Louis University High.

The topic for discussion among high schools this year was, "Resolved: That the United States should participate in the reconstruction of the League of Nations". Cathedral's affirmative in its arguments stressed the obligation binding on the United States by virtue of Social Justice. It emphasized the admitted necessity of a world organization and the efficiency-barring minor details—of the League of Nations provided in the Treaty of Versailles. Our negative parried such blows with evidence showing the lack of cooperation of the Allies in past leagues and their selfishness in exploiting the generosity of America's foreign policy. It was Cathedral's affirmative arguments which marred St. Louis University High's perfect record at the meet held in St. Louis University.

The regular affirmative team was made up of Edward Hotz, Leon Mayer; the negatives were Jack Fellner and John Linder. Substitutes and apprentice Freshmen were Robert Kosar, Theodore Michaelis, Leo Voss, Jack Theiss, and Thomas Kinsella.

ELOCUTIONISTS AND ORATORS



Left to right: H. Lorenz (orator), W. Nesbit, J. Renner, B. Lorenz, R. Kosar, E. Hotz (orator), A. Lucash, and W. Zahn.

Cathedral again held the annual Oratory and Elocution Contests in the Cathedral High auditorium, before one of the periodical Mothers' Club meetings.

Edward Hotz, '44, and Harold Lorenz, '45, represented the Juniors and Seniors in the Oratory Contest. Hotz, having the topic of "General Mark Wayne Clark", emerged as the victor. The trophy presented to the winners was sponsored by the Most Reverend Bishop Althoff.

Walter Zahn, '47, won out over a group of six Freshmen and Sophomore finalists in the Elocution Contest. "The Spieler Sells Shoes" was the selection rendered by Zahn. Other finalists were Walter Nesbit, last year's winner, who presented "Mark Anthony's Funeral Oration"; Arthur Lucash, presenting "Spartacus to the Gladiators"; Bernard Lorenz and his selection, "The Treasures of the Church"; James Renner, who spoke on "A Bid for the Tourist Trade"; and Robert Kosar, with his selection, "The Dentist Chair Philosopher". The Elocution trophy was sponsored by Mr. Fred Zacharski.

Judges were: Mr. John Dengler, Miss Stella Stenger, and Reverend Leonard Bauer, S.T.D.



Bishop Althoff presenting trophies to E. Hotz (left) and W. Zahn.

The Winners



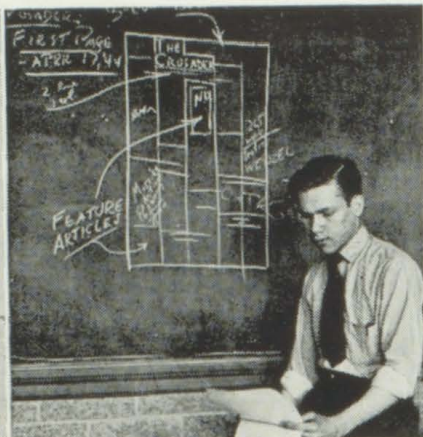
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Feature Editor



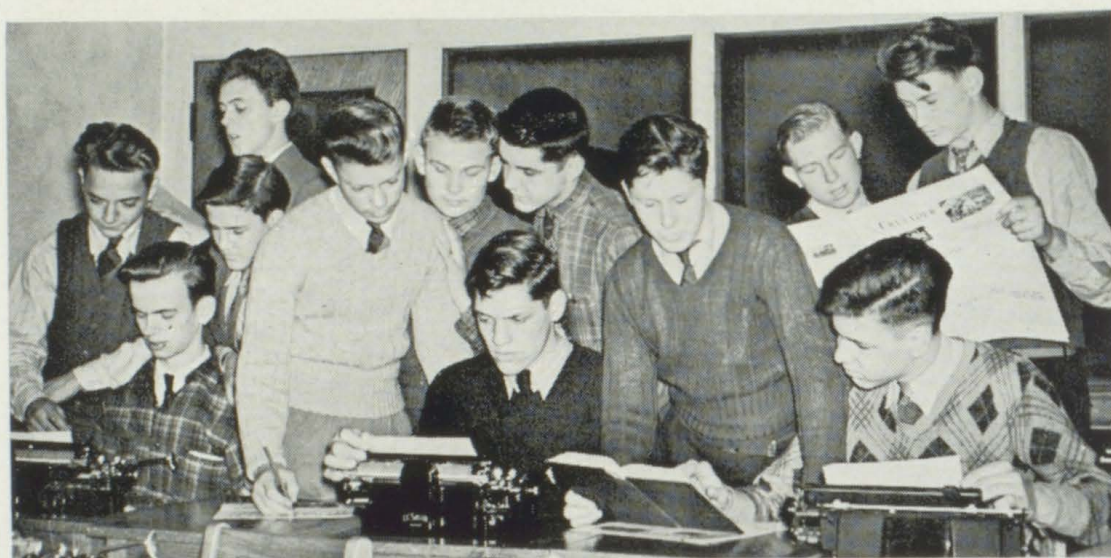
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Co-Editor



JACK FELLNER
Co-Editor



JACK FLACH
Sports Editor



Reading faces (left to right): T. Lehman, V. Mueller, D. Taphorn, C. Schauerte, R. Bogner, F. Moessinger, J. Glauber, E. Throckmorton, T. Shetterly, R. Spehn, J. Braun, A. Tecklenberg.

Under the direction of Brother Michael Brangan, S.M., the Journalism class, headed by four Seniors, has again presented the students with a pleasing publication. The title of "The Crusader" was again used as the banner head, due to the fact that all our athletic teams and other forms of outside school representation perform under this inspiring caption.

This year's staff was headed by Richard Smith and John Fellner, serving in the capacity of Co-Editors. The position of Sports Editor was held by John Flach, while William Wuller was Feature Editor. Under their direction served the rest of the staff, composed of Juniors and several Sophomores.

The number of publications was increased from the six issues of former years to eight for this year. Nine issues were contemplated, but due to a lack of financial backing, only eight issues were able to be completed. It is doubtful if this year's policy will be continued in the future, for it was found that putting out eight issues placed the staff under considerable strain, especially in meeting its "deadlines" for publication.

The final issue of the "Crusader", published Friday, May 26, was edited solely by the Juniors and Sophomores of the Journalism class. It was supervised by Robert Bogner and Robert Spehn, first page editors; Vincent Mueller, second page; Estil Throckmorton, sports editor; and James Braun, fourth page. Joseph Glauber assumed the duties of circulation manager, with its corresponding responsibilities. Among these Juniors has been found a variety of talent, thus insuring the continuance of the "Crusader" next year.

MOTHERS' CLUB



Pictured above are the officers, for the past year, of the Cathedral High School Mothers' Club. Reading from left to right: Mrs. J. Herold, secretary; Mrs. J. Voellinger, vice-president; Mrs. E. Bogner, treasurer. Standing is, Mrs. R. Nebgen, president for the past two years.

The graduating class of 1944 wish to take this, our last opportunity, to thank the Mothers' Club of Cathedral High School for all of the many benefits we have received from them in our four years at Cathedral.

This group of gallant women has steadfastly stood by us, fought for us, and striven in every way to render service to the school in all of its undertakings. In some of the projects undertaken, the Mothers' Club received little cooperation or encouragement at first, but, undaunted, they struggled onward until they had achieved their ultimate goal. The going has not always been easy, but, somehow, they have always managed to come out on top. They have sponsored many activities in their untiring efforts to finance various projects around the school. We can appreciate their work all the more when we stop to realize that they, themselves, gain no personal benefits from their labors. They have donated their time, effort, and sometimes financial backing, all for the good of the school and the students.

One of the main events of the year was the Annual Father-Son Banquet, held on the night of November 14, in the C.H.S. auditorium. This affair was again a huge success, being thoroughly enjoyed by all present. Other highlights of this year's program included the Dad's Night, held on January 11, the Christmas Party, at which time gifts were distributed; the White Elephant Party, held on Thursday, February 10, and the talk given by an East St. Louis juvenile delinquency officer, concerning the present problems of our youth in America.

This has been the Mothers' Club's fifth successful year and it has distinguished itself as one of the most active organizations of the school. Next year's club will be under the able guidance of Mrs. Clem Gass, President; Mrs. Erwin Bogner; Vice-President; Mrs. Winifrid Reime, Secretary; Mrs. George Renner, Treasurer.

We, the Seniors, as well as the rest of the students, wish them every success attainable in their future programs and sincerely hope that they will receive the wholehearted cooperation given this year's President, Mrs. R. Nebgen, and her fellow officers.

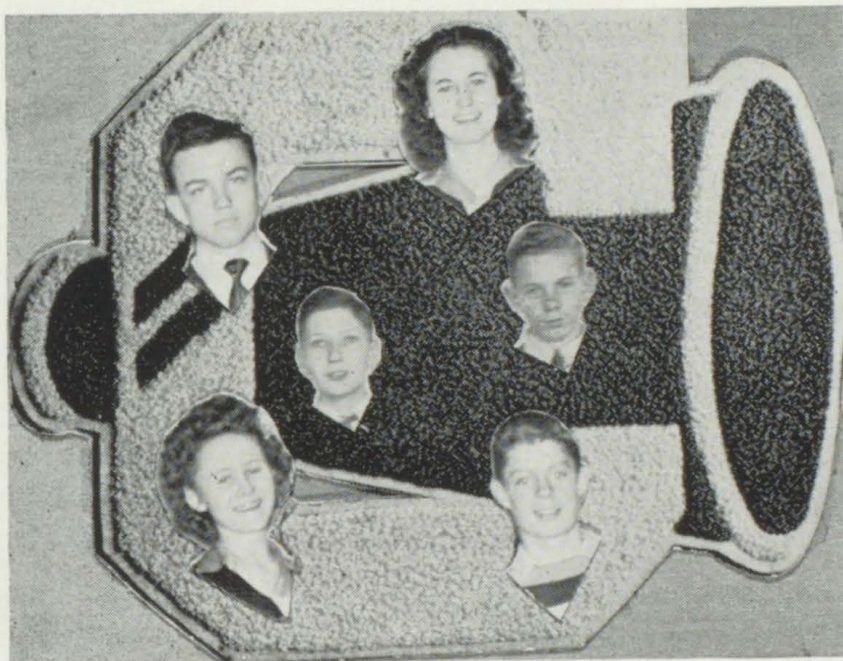
SENIOR WILL . . . (Continued)

- I, ED BAUER, won't disgrace anyone with my characteristics.
- I, CLARENCE WIESEN, bequeath my forged tardy excuses to anyone who might need them.
- I, LARRY SCHMIDT, being the only true German in the class, leave this honor to Ronald Stauder.
- I, JOSEPH KAISER, bequeath to any sucker who will take it, Chemistry and everything connected with it.
- I, WILLIAM WULLER, leave to Pat Griffin my outstanding "Irish" temper.
- I, BERNARD HOFFMAN, leave my coaching ability to Mel Zipfel.
- I, MELVIN ROTH, leave to Vin Mueller my experience in tending bar.
- I, WAYNE MEISTER, give, to anyone, instructions on how to get to Carlyle.
- I, WILLIAM FUHRMAN, give all my debts to whoever wants them.
- I, ED BERKEL, bestow upon Robert Bogner the honor of being the first Cheer Leader.
- I, JOHN BUSSON, leave my 85th Street corner to "Big" Busson.
- I, JOHN BATTAGLIA, leave Belleville, never to come back.
- I, JOHN LINDER, leave my place on the Millstadt bus to Roy Mayer.
- I, CORNIE ROTH, forget everything; I'm in the Navy.
- I, AL STINGL, with malice toward none, leave my ability to pester others to Stanley Makowski.
- I, FRANK CACCIATORRE, give Brother Urban all my conduct cards; who cares now?
- I, LEON MAYER, leave my position as tackle on the team to Martin Kehoe.
- I, VICTOR EDELMANN, leave my ability as a druggist to Mel Biehlhorn.
- I, ED SCHLOSSER, leave the school and everything in it.
- I, FRANCIS KARFS, will all my "wolfing" technique to Joe Glauber.
- I, VINCENT FELLNER, bestow my ability in working Survey Math problems to Jim Huber—who sure does need it.

S P O



BRO. A. SCHERER
Head Coach—Football



Top—E. Berkel, C. Hilpert
Center—J. Fellner, E. Wuller
Bottom—F. Miller, R. Bogner

R T S



BRO. A. STEIN
Head Coach
Basketball—Baseball

FOOTBALL



CO-CAPTAINS

H. PACINI
Center

M. ROTH
L. Half

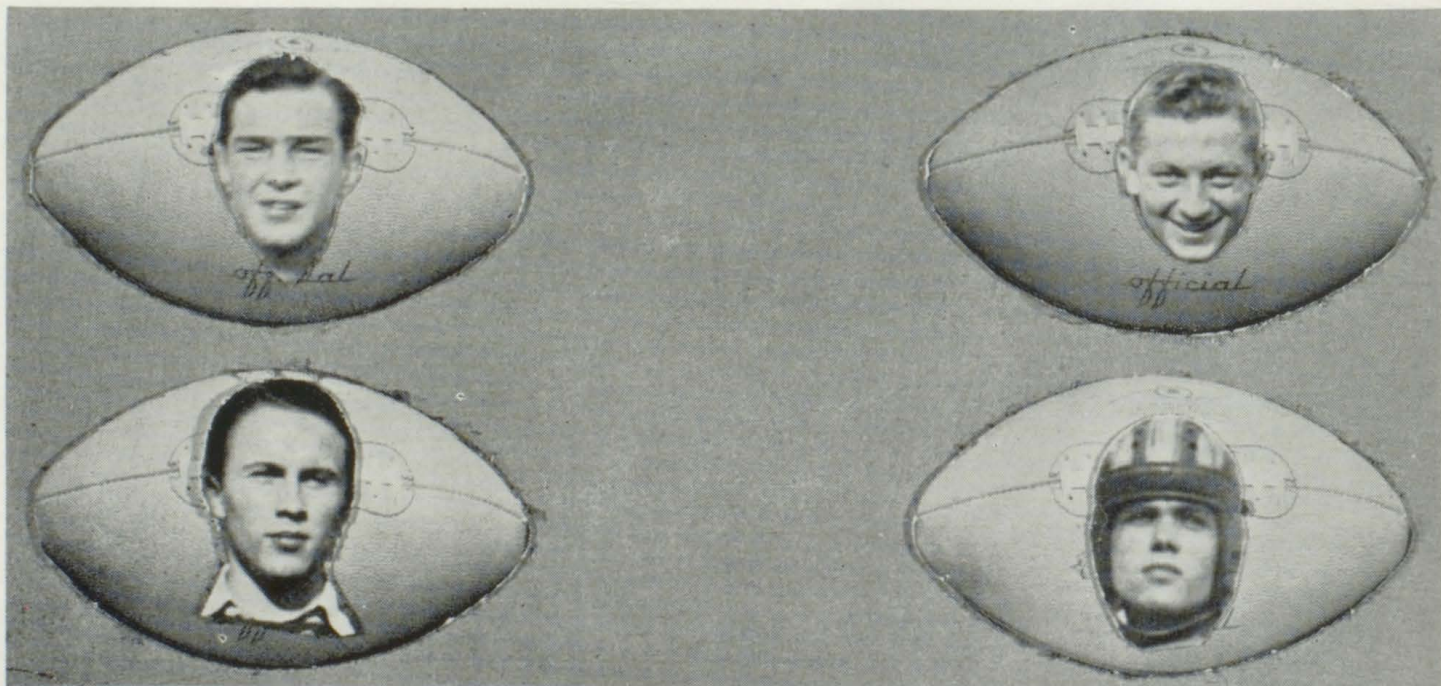
FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

C.H.S.		Opp.
13	Madison	6
31	Dupo	0
25	Roxana	6
6	Chaminade	6
7	Sparta	18
0	B.T.H.S.	14
0	Marquette	6
6	Central	12

B. WIESENBORN
Quarterback

SENIORS

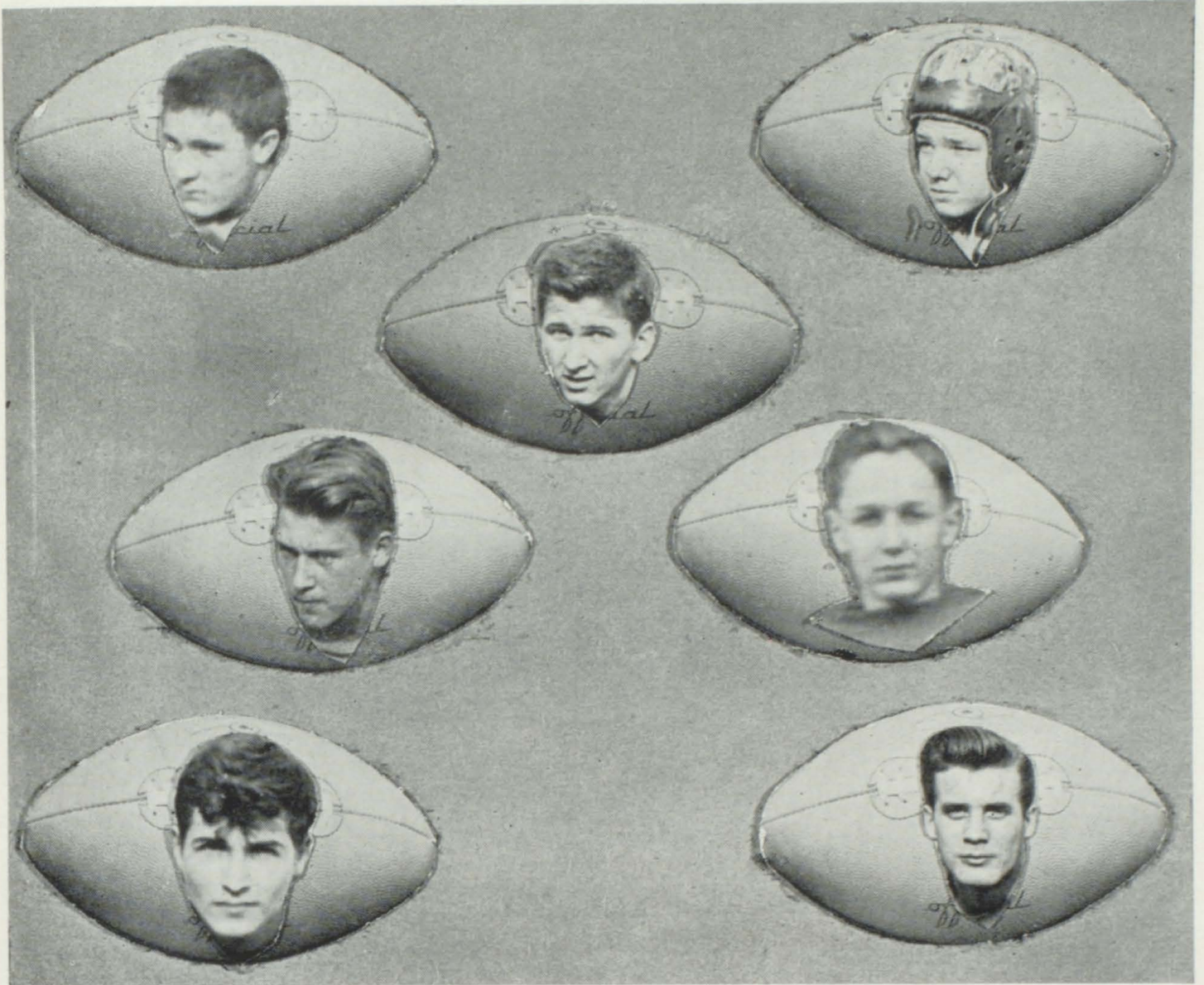
L. GERMAIN
Fullback



C. ROTH
Right Guard

E. HOTZ
Quarterback

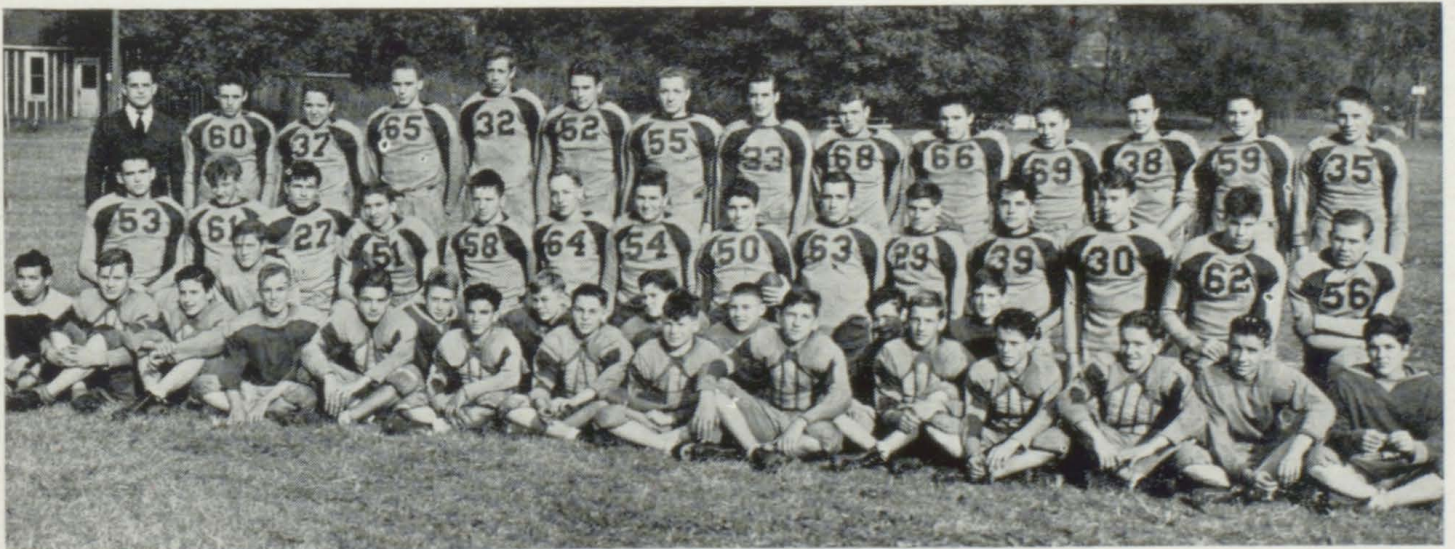
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V. LANTER—L.G.
L. MAYER—L.T.
M. LINDAUER—R.T.

J. BECHERER—L.E.

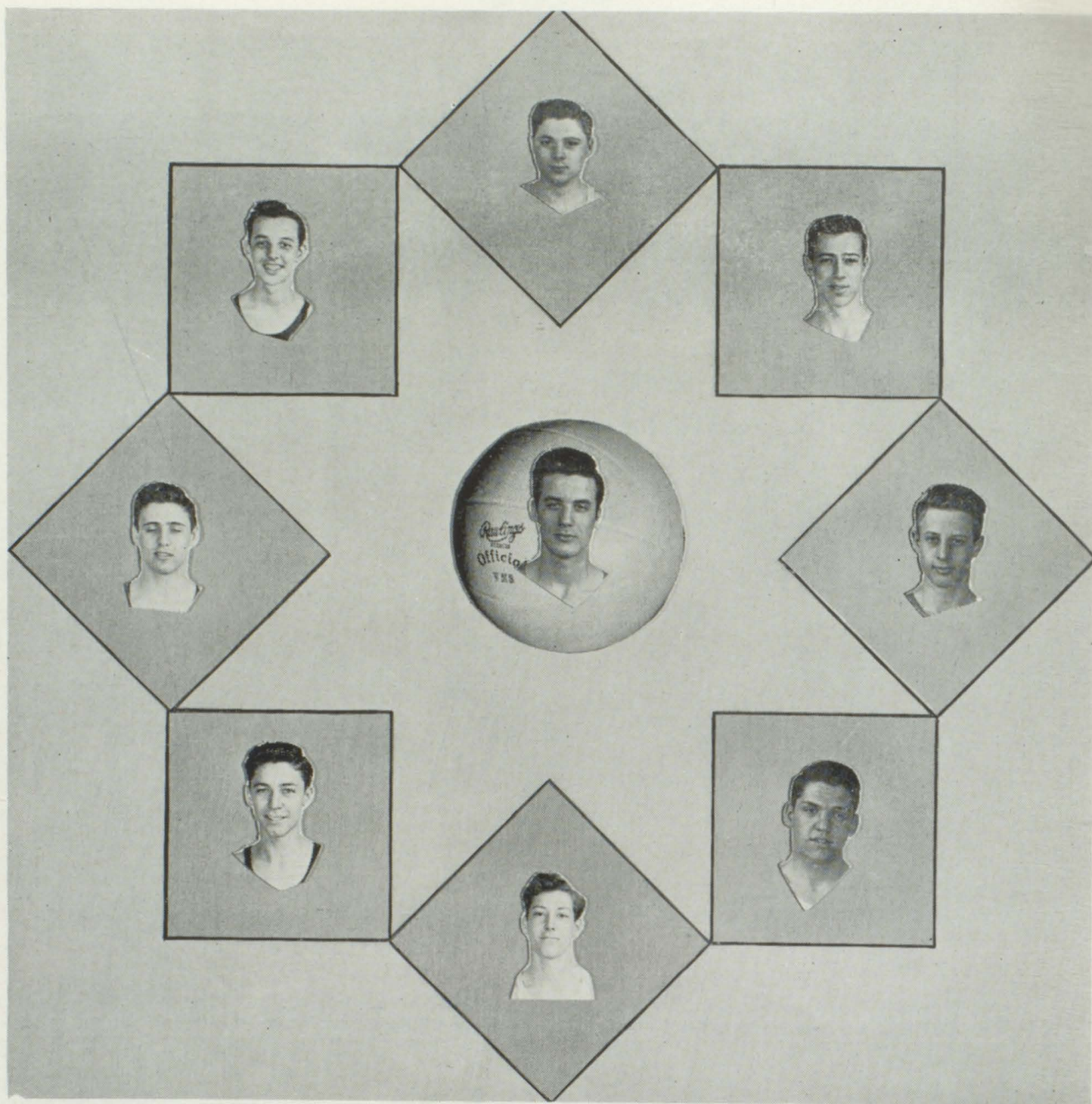
W. BRAUN—R.G.
E. SCHLOSSER—R.E.
J. CONRATH—L.E.



Seated: W. Potts, O. Sauerwein, R. Reis, C. Ribbing, A. Lucash, R. Kotva, E. Hasenstab, A. Torregrossa, J. Gass, D. Nesbit, M. Zipfel, R. Dengler, N. Bevirt, R. Fritz, R. Hartoin, J. Renner, D. Cornell, H. Neuner, R. Faust, J. Duncan, R. Lauf.

Kneeling: E. Hotz, E. Faltus, M. Lindauer, J. Becherer, R. Rice, E. Schlosser, F. Donovan, R. Schulte, P. Griffin, Q. Huber, E. Throckmorton, A. Tecklenburg, C. Taylor, M. Poniske.

Standing: Brother Alphonse Scherer, S.M., coach; P. Grandcolas, W. Braun, H. Pacini, A. Stenger, L. Mayer, L. Germain, J. Conrath, A. Bauer, V. Lanter, M. Roth, R. Wiesenborn, Mel Zipfel, C. Roth.



Left top, L. Louth; left center, F. Grandcolas; left bottom, J. Lehman; center top, M. Roth; center, J. Conrath; center bottom, J. Koch; right top, A. Stenger; right center, J. Heuman, right bottom, J. Glauber.

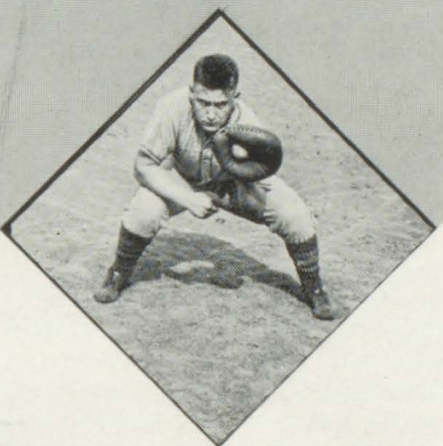
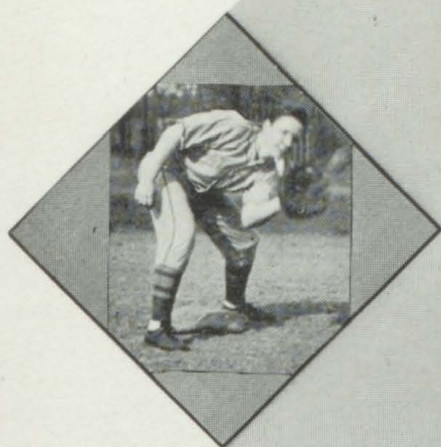
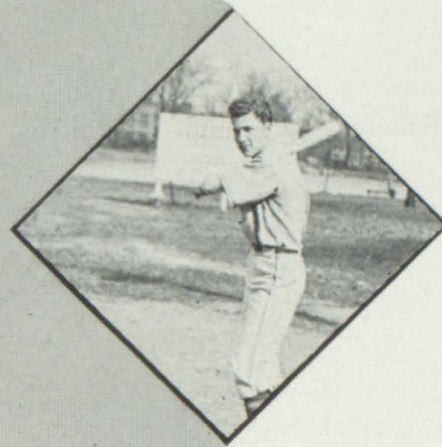
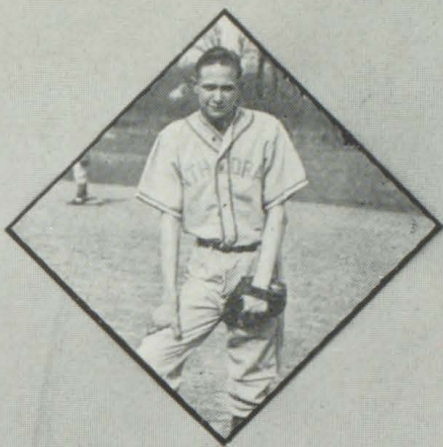
BASKETBALL

C.H.S.	Opp.	C.H.S.	Opp.
43 — — —	Aviston — — — 21	29 — — —	St. Peter's — — 34
46 — — —	Carlyle — — — 39	88 — — —	St. Joseph's — — 68
42 — — —	Aviston — — — 25	35 — — —	Marissa — — — 37
32 — — —	Mascoutah — — — 48	31 — — —	Madison — — — 29
41 — — —	Marissa — — — 34	43 — — —	Coyle — — — 17
20 — — —	Madison — — — 31	29 — — —	Mascoutah — — — 42
35 — — —	Central — — — 32	32 — — —	B.T.H.S. — — — 39
48 — — —	O'Fallon — — — 26	34 — — —	Chaminade — — — 39
45 — — —	Carlyle — — — 38	31 — — —	Central — — — 40
32 — — —	B.T.H.S. — — — 43	72 — — —	St. Joseph's — — — 24
71 — — —	Coyle — — — 16	35 — — —	St. Peter's — — — 32
41 — — —	Chaminade — — — 25	REGIONAL	
23 — — —	O'Fallon — — — 25	29 — — —	East Side — — — 38

BASEBALL

Top: Johnny Conrath

Center: Frank Karfs



Left: Bus Braun

Right: Barney Hoffman,
Captain

Bottom: Leon Mayer



First Row: J. Nesbit,
M. Zipfel, B. Hoffman,
captain; W. Braun, D.
Schaefer.

Second Row: F. Karfs,
J. Schaefer, L. Louth, J.
Conrath, B. Schulte, R.
Schaefer.

Third Row: J. Regnier,
L. Mayer, C. Reime, F.
Moessinger, J. Koch, E.
Throckmorton, J. Theiss,
E. Bretsch, and B. Lorenz.
Missing from picture: H. Neuner, J. Duncan.

HOROSCOPE

Name	Likes Most:	Hates Most:	Seen Most:	Ambition:	Destiny:
Vic Edelmann	Cake	Bread	With His Gang	Contractor	Cement Mixer
John Buchholz	Farming	City Life	Hoeing	Large Farm	Potato Picker
Mel Lindauer	Hobos	Busses	Thumbing	Traveling	Belleville
Bus Braun	Blondes	Shaving	Cathedral	Marine	Boy Scout
Al Stingl	Strauss' Music	Jazz	In a '42 Buick	Architect	Pencil Sharpener
Leon Mayer	Full Stomach	Crabs	Millstadt	Mayor of Mil.	Street Cleaner
Ed Hotz	The Navy	Low Grades	Studying???	Annapolis	Farragut
Harry Funk	Carlyle	A Man's Drink	In Old Ford	Hollywood	Army
Joe Reis	Rose	Work	Freeburg	Make Money	Counterfeiter
Charles Fohr	Brunettes	Literature	School	Marine	Army
Ev. Pfeiffer	Girls	Red Heads	O'Fallon	Parking	Dating
Bob Stauder	Censored	Teachers	Driving Around	Going Steady	Always Stag
Jack Fel'ner	Air Castles	Karf's Singing	Becherer's	Comedian	Straight-Man
Jim Herold	College	Army Food	With Nevenner	Getting a Girl	No Girl
Clarence Wiesen	Bro. Willis	Dictators	On Bicycle	Detective	Gangster
Bill Fuhrman	Everybody	Nobody	On Dates	Keep Away Girls	Bigamist
Larry Schmidt	Navy	Army	At Church	Dictator	Hermit
Wayne Meister	B——r	School	Shorty's	Quiet Home	11 Squealing Kids
John Battaglia	Night Time	Study	Ill. Univ.	2nd Einstein	Pacini's Pal
Corny Roth	Navy	School	? ? ? ? ?	Admiral	App. Seaman
John Linder	Army	Navy	Millstadt	Policeman	Thug
Frank Cacciatorre	Leadership	Chevy's	All Over	Machinist	Paper Cutter
Vin Fellner	School Spirit	Meeting People	Milking Cows	Marriage	Bachelor
Art Biehl	Leap Year	Competition	In Chevy	Wife and Kids	Bachelor
Jack Flach	Milk	Beer	With Carolyn	Sports Writer	Janitor
John Conrath	Sports	Fickle Girls	With the Gang	None	Professional
John Busson	Motorcycle	G.I. "Cuts"	In Bed	Graduate	Gov. of Ill.
Rich Smith	His Hair	Stag Parties	With C. W.	Editor	Copy Boy
Ed Berkel	Do Nothing	Women	Bell've Milt.	Store Manager	Stock Boy
Joe Renner	Dead Bodies	Live Ones	Funeral Home	Undertaker	Corpse
Bob Juen	Competition	Daytime	At Night	First to Mars	Sparta
Roy Wiesenborn	Teachers	Conservation	Drawing	Artist	Brush Cleaner
Ray Nevenner	Cyanide	1-Arm Bandits	O'Fallon	Chemist	Soda Jerk
Ed Schlosser	Spring	New Year's Eve	On Square	Pilot	Mechanic
Ed Bauer	Sleep	Work	Yoch's	Hobo	Ambition Fulfilled
Bill Wuller	Fun	Kidding	"T"'s House	Lawyer	Office Boy
Mel Roth	Beer	Soft Drinks	Shorty's Tavern	Get Married	Single
Vin Lanter	Music	Home work	In His Car	Navy	Farmer
Barney Hoffman	Work	Lazy People	Home	Cardinal Mang.	Bat Boy
Tony Cordie	Jazz	His Shyness	Around	Ch. Petty Off.	App. Seaman
Herb Helfrich	Cooky Dusters	Draft Board	Thumbing	Admiral	Deck Swabber
Joe Kaiser	Janice	Bing Crosby	18th St.	2nd Sinatra	2nd Cologna
Frank Karfs	Baseball	Friends	St. Mary's	Big Leaguer	Baby League
Leo Germain	New Autos	Wrecks	With Becherer	Aviator	Hitchhiker
Herm Pacini	Black Wavy Hair	Sassy Girls	On Main St.	General	Yard Bird
Jullie Becherer	His Ford	Walking	In Bed	Store Mang.	Bouncer

JUNIORS



First Row: M. Zipfel, R. Bogner, J. Lehman, Q. Huber, B. Schulte, V. Fellner, R. Spehn, M. Buellhorn, S. Makowski.
 Second Row: R. Stauder, T. Renner, L. Louth, J. Koch, R. Wenzel, L. Villemain, J. Braun, J. Heumann.
 Third Row: C. Andres, C. Reime, E. Bretsch, G. Ballard, M. Luby.
 Fourth Row: R. Rice, R. Schaefer, H. Lorenz, M. Poniske.
 Fifth Row: T. Schaefer, P. Griffin, A. Bauer, P. Grandcolas, J. Glauber, A. Stenger, J. Huber, V. Mueller, C. Taylor.

The Junior class of 1944, under the direction of Brother Michael Brangan, was always among the leaders in all the activities of the school year.

Class officers for the Juniors were appointed, with Larry Louth taking over the job of class president, Robert Spehn taking up the duties of class secretary, and Al Stenger becoming class treasurer. Jack Koch served in the capacity of sports chairman, Vin Mueller and Robert Bogner took care of all publicity concerning the class.

The spiritual activities were under the direction of Russell Wenzel, Junior Prefect; Robert Bogner, Secretary; Richard Rice, Mission Chairman; Melvin Zipfel, Eucharistic Chairman; and Patrick Griffin, Marian Chairman, assisted the Prefect in handling the numerous activities and duties.

In the sports activities the Juniors supplied more than its share of participants. On the gridiron Alfred Bauer, Paul Grandcolas, Melvin Zipfel, Richard Rice, Melvin Poniske, Al Stenger, Quentin Huber, and Clarence Taylor represented the Juniors.

The basketball team was strengthened by Paul Grandcolas, Jack Koch, Larry Louth, James Lehman, Al Stenger, Joseph Glauber, and Joseph Heumann.

Melvin Zipfel, Jack Koch, Larry Louth, Carl Reime, Edward Bretsch, and Brayman Schulte represented the Juniors on the baseball diamond.

Our athletic teams were urged on to win by our cheer-leader, Robert Bogner.

Musical talent in the Junior class was displayed by the members of the class in the band. They were: Harold Lorenz, drum major; Patrick Griffin, James Huber, Quentin Huber, Joseph Glauber, and Cletus Andres.

Scholastically, the Juniors placed ten on the Honor Roll. These were: Al Stenger, Russell Wenzel, Robert Bogner, James Braun, Vincent Fellner, Thomas Renner, Cletus Andres, Robert Spehn, George Ballard, and Joseph Heuman.

Juniors to serve on the school paper staff were: Robert Bogner, Robert Spehn, Vincent Mueller, James Braun, Joseph Glauber, and Russell Wenzel.

Harold Lorenz, only Junior Orator, came in second in the Oratory Contest.



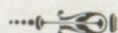
SOPH A

BROTHER WILLIAM WILDER
Moderator

First Row: J. Nesbit, F. Moessinger, R. Mayer, J. Fellner, D. Schaefer, D. Taphorn, M. Villemain.

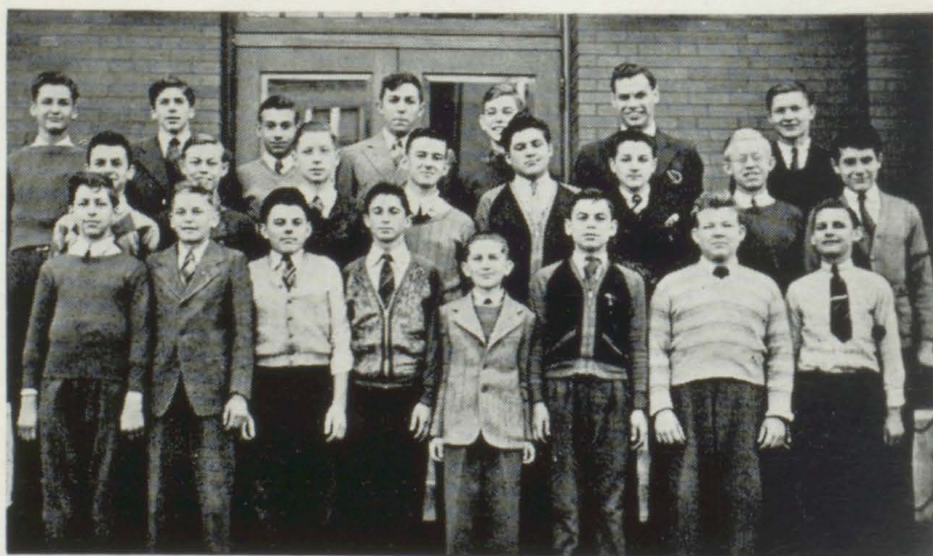
Second Row: G. Wyatt, J. Rowan, L. Marsh, R. Fuhrman, T. Lehman, W. Nesbit, F. Sullivan, T. Shetterly.

Third Row: C. Wiley, L. Braun, J. Galati, E. Throckmorton, A. Tecklenberg, L. Wessel, L. Fournie, W. Butchard, F. Donovan, C. Schauerte.



SOPH B

BROTHER ALBERT STEIN
Moderator



First Row: H. Guenther, R. Sax, C. Richter, J. Schwarz, P. Schmittling, A. Gass, E. Busson, J. Sehr.

Second Row: G. Muren, J. Gass, C. Stauder, E. Rodemeyer, R. Lauf, R. Scheibel, J. Loesche, R. Schulte.

Third Row: J. Biekert, W. Bauer, H. Tiberend, B. Geolet, D. Siddall, J. Schaefer, O. Sauerwein.

Missing from picture: Eugene Chaput.



FROSH A

BROTHER NORBERT KRAMER
Moderator

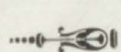
First Row: C. Ribbing, F. Ehrstein, B. Lorenz, W. Muren, E. Hasenstab, H. Bauer.

Second Row: W. Zahn, D. Arndt, J. Regnier, R. Dengler, D. Cornell, N. Bevirt.

Third Row: L. Voss, D. Faltus, V. Pacini, P. Kloess, G. Roach, J. Richter, F. Hermann.

Fourth Row: F. Powell, T. Michaelis, R. Schulte, J. Theiss, J. Duncan, H. Neuner.

Missing from picture: Ray Macherey.



FROSH B

BROTHER J. WILLIS LANGLINAIIS
Moderator



Front Row (left to right): P. Reis, R. Herbstreith, C. Blaes, A. Torregrossa, E. Harbaugh, L. Cannady, R. Hartoin, L. Wachtel.

Second Row (left to right): R. Kotva, M. Zipfel, A. Belleville, R. Kosar, I. Eichenseer, R. Reis.

Third Row (left to right): R. Bighaus, K. Faust, W. Potts, T. Kinsella, E. Dollus, C. Karfs, M. Kehoe.

Fourth Row (left to right): J. Renner, H. Stratman, L. Neff, H. Gordon, A. Lucash, H. Koldehoff.

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